

HENERY AND SARAH ANN RICHMOND NELSON



Henery Nelson was born in Moreland, Westmoreland County, England, on September 18, 1862, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Thompson Nelson. Married Sarah Ann Richmond at Nauvoo, Ill. in 1847. She was the daughter of Thomas and Sarah Bunch Richmond. Henery died September 12, 1894, at Buysville.

While Henery Nelson was still a boy his parents, Thomas and Elizabeth, joined the Church and, leaving their home in England, came to make their home with the Saints in Illinois, bringing young Henery and Henery Sr.'s two brothers, William and Isaac, with them. Here at Nauvoo in 1847, at the age of 21, Henery met and married Sarah Ann

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Richmond, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Bunch Richmond. The young couple started with an ox-team company, on the long trek across the plains to Utah. At Council Bluffs, a baby boy was born, October 28, 1850, and was named Henery Thomas.

Before the end of the year the little family arrived safely in Utah, making their home at Provo. Eight more children were born while they lived at Provo. Many times he told his grandchildren of the great plague of crickets and how he and his wife and children went out into the fields to fight them. Almost at the point of exhaustion, they all knelt in the fields, as all the other saints were doing, and prayed to God for deliverance from the plague. He told how the Lord answered their prayers.

After living in Provo 14 years, Henery, Sarah Ann, his aging mother and his children moved to Heber City, in Provo Valley, in 1864 and spent the remainder of his life. They first went to Heber, then to Buysville, where they moved to in 1874. Four more children were born. Henery and his boys hauled wood to Salt Lake by ox teams to fire the furnaces used when the temple was built.

He died at his home in Buysville. At the time of his death he held the office of High Priest in the LDS Church.

Henery and Sarah Ann were the parents of 13 children: Henery Thomas, Jessie Richmond, William Richard, Wilford, Sarah Alice, Mercy Jane, Joseph Averett, Margaret, John Benjamin, Hyrum, Emma, and Mary Emily.